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1. International Publication No. WO 99/07180, published February 11, 1999.
2. United States Patent No. US 5,390,174, published February 14, 1995.
3. United States Patent No. US 5,317,561, published May 31, 1994.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, along with a copy of the corresponding European Search Report, dated December 28, 2004, issued in the corresponding European Patent Application.

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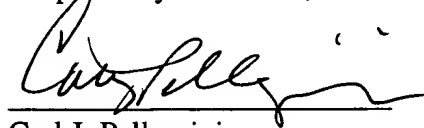
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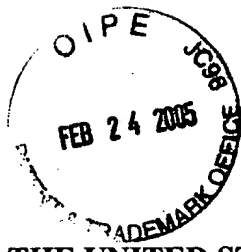
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